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November 6, 2015

## VIA OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Mr. Allan L. Ward, II Assistant Chief Counsel California Energy Commission 1516 Ninth Street, MS 14 Sacramento, California 95814-5512

Re:

Grant ARV-12-033

Dear Mr. Ward:

This letter is being sent in response to your letter dated November 2, 2015, wherein you informed Mendota Bioenergy, LLC ("MBLLC") that the California Energy Commission ("CEC") would be asked to consider the termination of Grant ARV-12-033 at its November 12<sup>th</sup> business meeting. We strongly request and encourage the CEC to postpone its discussion of the Grant ARV-12-033 until its December business meeting. At this point, we do not feel that the CEC has in good faith complied with its own dispute resolution procedures. Further, based on the timing of this upcoming hearing, MBLLC will not have time to confer with counsel or prepare any type of response to the CEC prior to the November 12<sup>th</sup> business meeting. MBLLC is in the process of obtaining new legal counsel and continues to diligently look for options that will be acceptable to the CEC for renewing its work on Grant ARV-12-033. Moving forward with a discussion on the status of Grant ARV-12-033 at the November 12<sup>th</sup> business meeting will be highly prejudicial to the interests of MBLLC and will not appropriately advance any of the interests of the CEC.

Please advise us of your decision as soon as possible.

Very truly yours,

William C. Pucheu General Manager

cc:

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